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PROJECT CEASEFIRE
**CARROLLTON MAN SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS
FOR POSSESSING AMMUNITION**

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Bradley J. Schlozman, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Carrollton, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for illegally possessing ammunition.

Donald E. Tooley, 47, of Carrollton, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Fernando J. Gaitan this morning to 15 years in federal prison without parole. **Tooley** was sentenced as an armed career offender, Schlozman explained, due to his prior violent felony convictions.

On Nov. 1, 2005, **Tooley** pleaded guilty being a felon in possession of ammunition. **Tooley** admitted that he was in possession of 44 rounds of Remington .22-caliber ammunition on May 25, 2005. Under federal law, Schlozman explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Tooley** has nine criminal felony convictions.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jess E. Michaelson. It was investigated by the Carrollton, Mo., Police Department, the Carroll County, Mo., Sheriff's Department, the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Project Ceasefire

Project Ceasefire, launched in October 1999, is a cooperative initiative by federal and local law enforcement and the Kansas City Crime Commission that targets for federal prosecution persons who unlawfully use or possess firearms.

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